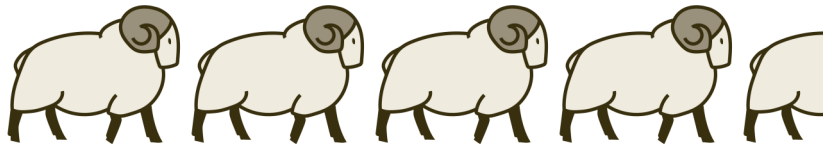


October 6, 2024
20th Sunday after Pentecost

THE NEED FOR



FOLLOWERSHIP

Prepare for Worship

“I rejoiced with those who said to me, ‘Let us go to the house of the Lord.’” Give me joy, dear Jesus, as I prepare to worship you today. Make me understand what my life would be like without you so that I long to hear about your grace and compassion. Help me participate in a way that honors you and builds up all who worship with me, and let their worship strengthen and encourage my faith.

Amen.

Morning Prayer

505 For the Beauty of the Earth



1 For the beau - ty of the earth, for the
 2 For the won - der of each hour of the
 3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the
 4 For the joy of hu - man love, broth - er,
 5 For thy - self, best gift di - vine, to our



glo - ry of the skies, for the love which
 day and of the night; hill and vale, and
 heart and mind's de - light, for the mys - tic
 sis - ter, par - ent, child, friends on earth, and
 world so free - ly giv'n; for that great, great



from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies:
 tree and flow'r, sun and moon, and stars of light:
 har - mo - ny link - ing sense to sound and sight:
 friends a - bove; for all gen - tle thoughts and mild:
 love of thine, peace on earth and joy in heav'n:



Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grate - ful praise.
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Stand

Opening Sentences

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O Lord, o - pen my lips,



and my mouth shall de - clare your praise.

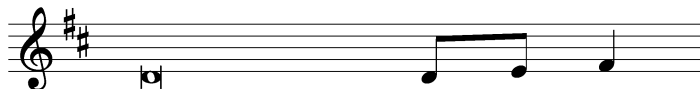


Has - ten to save me, O God;



O Lord, come quick - ly to help me.

General



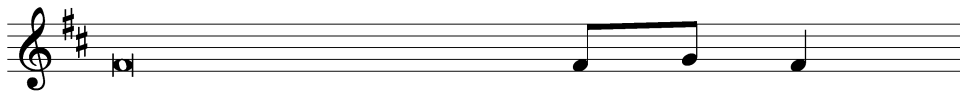
General Jesus Christ is Lord of all:



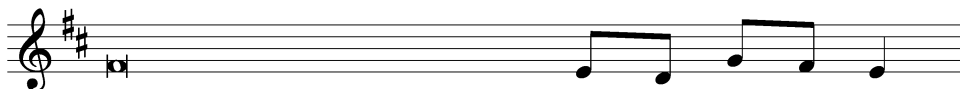
praise and thanks to God!

O Come, Let Us Sing to the Lord

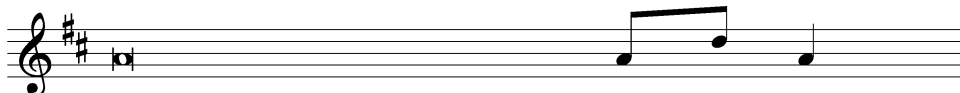
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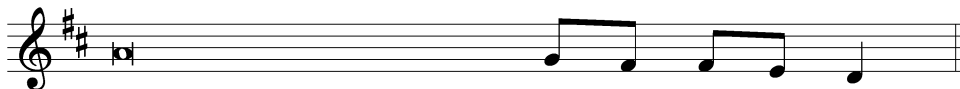
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|---|------------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| 1 | O come, let us sing | to | the | Lord, |
| 2 | For the Lord is a | great | _____ | God |
| 3 | The sea is his, for he | made | _____ | it, |



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|---|---|--------|------------|-------------|
| 1 | let us make a joyful noise to the rock of | our | sal - va - | tion. |
| 2 | and a great | king | a - bove | all gods. |
| 3 | and his hand | formed | the dry | _____ land. |



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|---|---|-----|-------|-------|------|
| 1 | Let us come into his presence with thanks | - | giv | - | ing, |
| 2 | The deep places of the earth are | in | his | hand; | |
| 3 | O come, let us worship and | bow | _____ | down, | |
| 4 | For he | is | our | God, | |



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|---|-------------------------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|
| 1 | let us make a joyful noise to | him | with | songs | of | praise. |
| 2 | the heights of the | hills | are | al - | so | his. |
| 3 | let us kneel before the | Lord | our | mak | - | er. |
| 4 | and we are the people of his | | | | | |
| | pasture and the | sheep | of | his | _____ | hand. |

Be seated

The LORD God said, “It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper who is a suitable partner for him.” ¹⁹Out of the soil the LORD God had formed every wild animal and every bird of the sky, and he brought them to the man to see what he would call them. Whatever the man called every living creature, that became its name. ²⁰The man gave names to all the livestock, and to the birds of the sky, and to every wild animal, but for Adam no helper was found who was a suitable partner for him. ²¹The LORD God caused the man to fall into a deep sleep. As the man slept, the LORD God took a rib and closed up the flesh where it had been. ²²The LORD God built a woman from the rib that he had taken from the man and brought her to the man.

²³The man said,

Now this one is bone of my bones

and flesh of my flesh.

She will be called “woman,”

because she was taken out of man.

²⁴For this reason a man will leave his father and his mother

and will remain united with his wife,

and they will become one flesh.

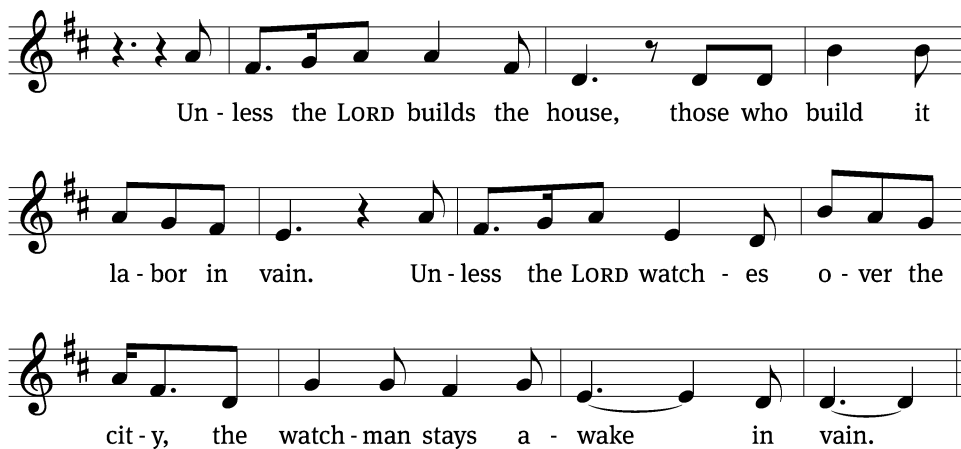
²⁵They were both naked, the man and his wife, and they were not ashamed.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

127A Unless the LORD Builds the House

Refrain



Un - less the LORD builds the house, those who build it
la - bor in vain. Un - less the LORD watch - es o - ver the
cit - y, the watch - man stays a - wake in vain.

Tone



Unless the LORD / builds the house,
the builders la- / bor in vain.

Unless the LORD watches over the / city,
the guards stand / watch in vain.

In vain you rise early and stay up late, toiling for / food to eat—
for he grants sleep to / those he loves. *Refrain*

Children are a heritage / from the LORD,
offspring a re- / ward from him.

Like arrows in the hands of a / warrior
are children born / in one's youth.

Blessed is the man whose quiver is / full of them.

They will not be put to shame when they contend with their opponents / in court.

Glory be to the Father and / to the Son

and to the Holy / Spirit,

as it was in the be- / ginning,

is now, and will be forever. / Amen. *Refrain*

Second Reading

Ephesians 5:21—6:4

and by submitting to one another in reverence for Christ.

²²Wives, submit to your own husbands as to the Lord. ²³For the husband is the head of the wife, just as Christ is the head of the church, his body, of which he himself is the Savior.

²⁴Moreover, as the church submits to Christ, so also wives are to submit to their husbands in everything.

²⁵Husbands, love your wives, in the same way as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her ²⁶to make her holy, by cleansing her with the washing of water in connection with the Word. ²⁷He did this so that he could present her to himself as a glorious church, having no stain or wrinkle or any such thing, but so that she would be holy and blameless. ²⁸In the same way, husbands have an obligation to love their own wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. ²⁹To be sure, no one has ever hated his own body, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ does the church, ³⁰because we are members of his body, of his flesh and of his bones. ³¹“For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two will be one flesh.” ³²This is a great mystery, but I am talking about Christ and the church. ³³In any case, each one of you also is to love his wife as himself, and each wife is to respect her husband.

¹Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. ²“Honor your father and mother,” which is the first commandment with a promise: ³“that it may go well with you and that you may live a long life on the earth.” ⁴Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand

Gospel

Mark 10:2–16

Some Pharisees came to test him and asked, “Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?”

³He replied, “What did Moses command you?”

⁴They said, “Moses permitted a man to write a certificate of divorce and send her away.”

⁵But Jesus told them, “He wrote this command for you because of your hard hearts. ⁶But from the beginning of creation, God made them male and female. ⁷For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, ⁸and the two will become one flesh. So they are no longer two but one flesh. ⁹Therefore, what God has joined together, let no one separate.”

¹⁰In the house his disciples asked him about this again. ¹¹He said to them, “Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her. ¹²If she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery.”

¹³Some people began bringing little children to Jesus so that he would touch them. But the disciples rebuked them. ¹⁴When Jesus saw this, he was indignant. He said, “Let the little children come to me! Do not hinder them, because the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. ¹⁵Amen I tell you: Whoever will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.” ¹⁶And he took the little children in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

Holy Baptism

10:30 am

760 Oh, Blest the House



1 Oh, blest the house, what - e'er be - fall, where Je - sus
 2 Oh, blest that house where faith is found and all in
 3 Oh, blest the par - ents who give heed un - to their
 4 Blest such a house, it pros - pers well; in peace and
 5 Then here will I and mine to - day a sol - emn



Christ is all in all! A home that is not
 hope and love a - bound; they trust their God and
 chil - dren's fore - most need and wea - ry not of
 joy the par - ents dwell, and in their chil - dren's
 prom - ise make and say: though all the world for -



whol - ly his— how sad and poor and dark it is!
 serve him still and do in all his ho - ly will.
 care or cost. May none to them and heav'n be lost!
 lives is shown how rich - ly God can bless his own.
 sake his Word, I and my house will serve the Lord!

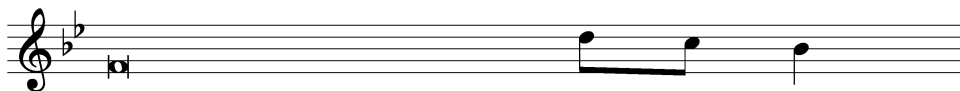
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Sermon Followers of Christ Know How to Love Their Families Ephesians 5:21-6:4

Stand

We Praise You, O God

CW 210



- 1 We praise you, O God, we acclaim you as Lord;
- 2 Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of heav'n - ly hosts,
- 3 The white-robed army of martyrs praise ____ you.



- 1 all creation worships you, Fa - ther ev - er - last - ing.
- 2 heaven and earth are full ____ of your glo - ry.
- 3 Throughout the world the ho - ly Church ac - claims you:



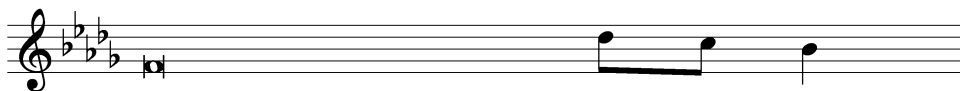
- 1 To you all angels, all the pow'rs of heav'n,
- 2 The glorious company of apostles praise ____ you.
- 3 Father of majesty unbounded; your glorious, true, and on - ly Son;



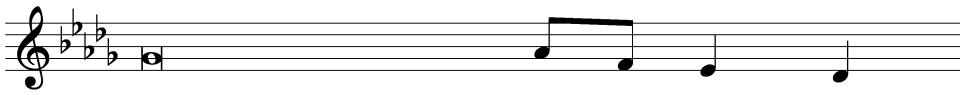
- 1 cherubim and seraphim, sing in end - less praise:
- 2 The noble fellowship of proph - ets praise ____ you.
- 3 and the Holy Spirit, ad - vo - cate and guide.



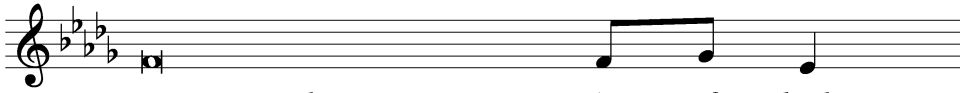
- 4 You, Christ, are the King of glo - ry, the eternal Son of the Fa - ther.



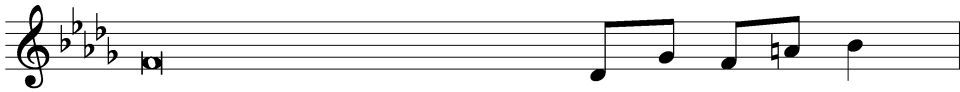
- 5 When you became man to set us free,
- 6 You sit at the right hand of God



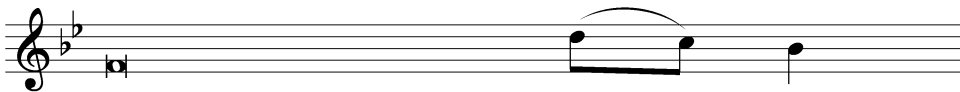
5 you humbled yourself to be born of a vir - gin.
6 in the glory of the Fa - ther.



5 You overcame the sting of death
6 We believe that you will come



5 and opened the kingdom of heaven to all be - liev - ers.
6 to be _____ our _____ judge.



7 Come then, Lord, and help your peo - ple,



7 bought with the price of your own blood,



7 and bring us with your saints to glory ev - er - last - ing.

Be seated

Good News for Kids/Offering

759 When Training Up a Child



- 1 When train-ing up a child to go a cer - tain way,
- 2 When Tim - o - thy was young, his moth - er drew him near—
- 3 When God in all his grace puts chil-dren in our care,



long af - ter youth that child-hood truth will still hold sway;
what she'd been taught was al - so what her son must hear:
our leg - a - cy of love will be the words we share



and so, in in - fant hearts, the gos - pel seed is sown
how we had all the sin, but Christ took all the blame,
in tell - ing them of Christ and teach - ing them his love,



that chil - dren thus might learn to trust in Christ a - lone.
how we've been dressed in right-eous-ness in Je - sus' name.
till we and they are home to stay in heav'n a - bove.

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Stand

Lord, Have Mercy

CW 213



Hear my voice when I call, O Lord; be merciful and an-swer me.



Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Prayer of the Church

Loving Lord, according to your wisdom and will you bring us together into families. We pray today for the special interests of our Christian homes.

In your mercy, hear us, Lord.

Make our families dwellings of joy and schools of character. Grant to those who are married true love and unbreaking loyalty for the sake of their children, to be models in their communities, and for the welfare of society.

In your mercy, hear us, Lord.

Protect us from the spiritual enemies of our household, from quick temper, cranky moods, thoughtless words, and selfish pleasures which rob marriage of love and deprive childhood of joy.

In your mercy, hear us, Lord.

Guide and guard us as we move through the changes of family life, from early joys to hectic support to aging reflection. Provide the wisdom we need to enjoy the transitions of life.

In your mercy, hear us, Lord.

For the sake of our society, whose foundations are in the family, we pray for the homes of others. Spare men and women from marriage vows lightly planned, carelessly made, and easily broken.

In your mercy, hear us, Lord.

Protect us and others from evils which deplete households, degrade children, cheapen love, and dishonor old age.

In your mercy, hear us, Lord.

Hear our prayers for our extended families and for the family of believers. Channel your strength to those who are hurting without healing and those who grieve without comfort. Calm the distraught and give guidance to the confused. Hold those we love in the arms of your grace.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer

O Lord, for the sake of your Son and with the power of your Spirit, give us strength and wisdom to build our homes in the shadow of your gracious and forgiving love.
In your mercy, hear us, Lord, and grant us your blessings. Amen.

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come,
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

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Let us praise the Lord.



Thanks be to God.

Blessing



The grace of our Lord + Je - sus Christ and the love of God



and the fellowship of the Holy Spir - it be with you all.



A - men.

757 Gracious Savior, Gentle Shepherd



1 Gra - cious Sav - ior, gen - tle Shep - herd, chil - dren all are
 2 Ten - der Shep - herd, nev - er leave them, nev - er let them
 3 By your ho - ly Word in - struct them, fill their minds with
 4 Taught to love the ho - ly prais - es which on earth your



dear to you; may your lov - ing arms en - fold them
 go a - stray; by your warn - ing love di - rect - ed,
 heav'n - ly light; by your pow'r - ful grace con - vince them
 chil - dren sing, with their lips and hearts, sin - cere - ly,



in your care their whole life through. By your tend - ing
 may they walk the nar - row way. Thus di - rect them,
 al - ways to ap - prove what's right. Let them feel your
 glad thank - of - f'rings may they bring, then with all the



and pro - tect - ing keep them safe in all they do.
 thus de - fend them lest they fall an eas - y prey.
 yoke is eas - y, let them find your bur - den light.
 saints in glo - ry join to praise their Lord and King.

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Welcome to Lincoln Heights!

We are glad you are here today to grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. Please speak with an usher for any help.

Yellow Cards

Please fill out a yellow card and place it in the offering plate when passed. Thank you.

In Our Prayers

The Lord is eager to hear the prayers of thanks and petitions for help from his people. Please keep these members and families in your prayers. Contact Pastor to add someone to this list:

Ukraine

Ray & Gloria Overson, Sherry Just and Randy Michael- shut-ins

Pat Oswald, Makenzie Phippen, Steve Carter- health

Nichelle Hoey - expecting

Lucas Gilman & Karri Pippett, Daniel Pfeifer & Paige Harmon, Isaiah Luellen & Andie Schlabach - engaged couples

Baptism Today

Elias Gebreab Estephanos, son of Estephanos Boro and Nura Janka, was born Monday, September 2. He will be baptized into the Christian faith this morning. We rejoice that the Lord has made Elias a forgiven child of God and has written his name in the Book of Life.

Youth Group - Save the Date

Tuesday, November 12, 6-8 pm. All in 7th-12th grades are invited to join us for a Youth Night. Beautiful Savior is hosting this time. After food and God's Word, we will play some laser tag at Spare Time. More details to follow.

Game Night, Saturday, October 12, 4:00 - 8:00 pm

Everyone is welcome to join us for games, fellowship and food! Bring your favorite games, a snack to share, or a friend. Meet downstairs for some friendly competition.

Online Giving

Thank you for your generous and cheerful offerings to the Lord.



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Prepare for Next Sunday

For a simple devotional reading plan, review the readings for this week on Monday through Wednesday. Then read the Scripture for next Sunday on Thursday through Saturday. The Word for next Sunday: *2 Kings 5:14-27, Hebrews 4:12-13, Mark 10:17-27*

Thank You to Today's Helpers

Accompanist: Recorded

Altar Guild: Candice Pippett & Andrea Travi

Counters: Steve Winecke & Karl Kuhrt

Mowing 10/6-10-12: John Hoey

Streaming: Brad Pippett

Ushers 8 am: Brad Pippett and 1 spot open

Ushers 10:30: 2 spots open

Next Sunday's Servants

Accompanist: Donna Bakken

Altar Guild: Candice Pippett & Andrea Travi

Counters: Leon Burger & Cassandra Canny

Mowing 10/13-10/19: Jay Pender

Streaming: Brad Pippett

Ushers 8 am: Brad Pippett and 1 spot open

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THIS WEEK AT LINCOLN HEIGHTS
October 6 - 13, 2024

Sunday	8:00 am	Worship
	9:00 am	Homeless Meal Delivery
	9:15 am	Sunday School
	9:15 am	Bible Class
	10:30 am	Worship
	11:35 am	Handbell Practice
Monday	5:15 pm	Church Council
Wednesday	5:30 pm	Catechism & Bible History
	5:30 pm	Choir
	6:30 pm	Evening Prayer
	6:45 pm	Bible Class
	6:45 pm	Children's Handbell Practice
Thursday	10:00 am	Women's Fellowship Group
Saturday	4:00 pm	Game Night
Sunday	8:00 am	Worship with Communion
	9:00 am	Homeless Meal Delivery
	9:15 am	Sunday School
	9:15 am	Bible Class
	10:30 am	Worship with Communion
	10:30 am	Kunama Worship
	11:35 am	Handbell Practice

Forward in Christ - October 24

The newest issue of Forward in Christ is available on the shelf outside of the sanctuary. You may also read it anytime at forwardinchrist.net.

Some articles of note are listed below.

Spend alone time this month with WELS President Mark Schroeder's column, which highlights the great "alones" of the Lutheran Reformation. Page 6.

Read how a missionary kid found her home in the body of Christ and now serves as a missionary herself in Latin America. Page. 7.

During Pastor Appreciation Month, see how a pastor and his wife point the people they come in contact with to the Good Shepherd. Page 20.

Join Forward in Christ's live online Bible study this month based on Charles Degner's series "When Politics Drives You Crazy". Page 32. The study will be Thursdays, October 3, 10, 17, and 24 at 7:30 pm. Register now at forwardinchrist.net/online-study.

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